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## Survey Shows Despite Recession, National Leading Employers Still Value Diversity

**(Baltimore, MD)** Career Communications Group (CCG) announced that for the fifth year the readers of *US Black Engineer*, *Hispanic Engineer* and *Women of Color* magazines have selected their most admired companies. According to Tyrone Taborn, CEO and Publisher of CCG, the "Most Admired Employers" will be honored at a special event on December 10, at Temple University. This list, published for the past five years, is unique because it is a survey of our readers regarding their impressions of diversity programs at today's top organizations.

The list will be published in *Hispanic Engineer & Information Technology*, *US Black Engineer & Information Technology*, and the *Women of Color* magazines and will also be posted on their respective websites. Their combined readership is over 250,000. Despite the economic recession, many of the top companies have maintained their commitment to diversity, retention and recruitment according to the survey of professional minority technologists and engineers. Lockheed, Northrop Grumman and Booz Allen Hamilton dominate the list.

According to Tyrone Taborn this survey is important because it gives employers an insight to minority employees' attitudes. "Recruiting women and minorities, only to see them walk out of the door within a few years is a loss of investments and opportunity." Retaining promising employees is just as important as recruiting them. Companies are moving beyond simply acquiring a diverse work force and calling it quits. Taborn pointed out, "Our survey shows that many employers are successfully managing, embracing, and cultivating a diverse work environment. Minority employees give their employers improved marks on managing diversity and being fair."

Here are the 2009 most admired employers for minority professionals in ranking order.

- 1 Lockheed Martin
- 2 Northrop Grumman
- 3 Booz-Allen Hamilton
- 4 NASA
- 5 The Raytheon Company
- 6 IBM

- 7 The Boeing Company
- 8 Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL)
- 9 General Dynamics
- 10 Microsoft Corporation
- 11 Cisco Systems
- 12 Intel Corporation
- 13 Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR)
- 14 Office of Naval Research (ONR)
- 15 The Walt Disney Company
- 16 American Express Company
- 17 AT&T
- 18 General Electric Company
- 19 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- 20 Duke Energy
- 21 Hewlett-Packard Company
- 22 The Coca-Cola Company
- 23 Texas Instruments
- 24 Air Force Personnel Command
- 25 AutoNation, Inc.
- 26 Berkshire Hathaway Inc.
- 27 Chevron Corporation
- 28 FedEx Corporation
- 29 Freescale Semiconductor, Inc.
- 30 Honeywell Inc.
- 31 Johnson & Johnson
- 32 Motorola, Inc.
- 33 Target
- 34 The MITRE Corporation
- 35 U.S. Army Research Laboratory (ARL)
- 36 United Technologies Corporation
- 37 Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.
- 38 Abbott Laboratories
- 39 Bank of America
- 40 JPMorgan Chase
- 41 Bristol-Myers Squibb
- 42 Cardinal Health
- 43 Dominion
- 44 Citigroup Inc.
- 45 United Parcel Service
- 46 PepsiCo, Inc.
- 47 Corning Incorporated
- 48 Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC
- 49 ExxonMobil
- 50 Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.
- 51 Medco Health Solutions, Inc.
- 52 Caterpillar Inc.

- 53 Parsons Corporation
- 54 Computer Science Corporation
- 55 Pfizer Inc.
- 56 Prudential Financial, Inc.
- 57 Safeway Inc.
- 58 The Dow Chemical Company
- 59 Sprint Nextel Corporation
- 60 Verizon Communications Inc.
- 61 The Allstate Corporation
- 62 Sears, Roebuck and Co.
- 63 Procter & Gamble Company
- 64 Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation
- 65 Comcast Corporation
- 66 Sun Microsystems, Inc.
- 67 Walgreen Co.
- 68 Archer Daniels Midland Company
- 69 ConocoPhillips
- 70 State Farm

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